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REMARKS

Initially, Applicants' attorney wishes to thank Examiner Crane for his courtesy in granting a recent interview during which there were discussed proposed amendments to Claim 1 to clarify the distinctions between the integrated tool of the present invention and more complex devices such as that shown in the Gould Patent.

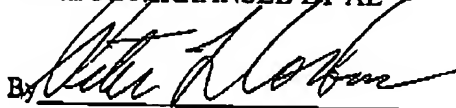
Claim 1 has been amended to make clear that the forming tool is integrated, and that the mounting stem on the body is one which will be mounted in a punch press or a like apparatus which provides the actuation for the several elements of the tool structure.

As was discussed at the interview, Gould is a far more complicated structure requiring multiple drive sources and is structurally readily distinguishable from the structure defined in amended in Claim 1.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance, and such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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